Wichita Citizen's Review Board

Thursday, May 25, 2023 4:00 PM City Council First Floor Boardroom 455 N. Main St, Wichita, KS 67202

This meeting was streamed over YouTube - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mlbWHbg1N4o&t=30

Board Members Present: Sharon Ailslieger, Walt Chappel, Jay Fowler (Chair), Odell Harris Jr., Riccardo Harris, Kevin Harrison, Janet Johnson, Twila Puritty

Board Members Absent: Dennis Bender, Paul Kitchen

City of Wichita Representatives Present: Captain Travis Easter, Lieutenant Aaron Moses, Sergeant Kenneth Kimble, Zachary Kester, Jennifer Magana, Betsy Pagan

TOPIC	DISCUSSION	FOLLOW-UP
Call to Order – Chairperson J. Fowler	Fowler called the meeting to order at 4:15 PM.	
Approval of April 2023 Minutes – Chairperson J. Fowler	Johnson motioned to approve the April 12 th and April 27 th minutes. Seconded by . April 12 th and April 27 th minutes were unanimously approved as written.	
Public Agenda – 15 minutes set aside for this portion of the meeting.	No one came forward to speak on the public agenda.	

Staff Report Revisions & Updates – Captain T. Easter	Captain Easter gave the staff report to the Board. Chappel asked about breaking down the graphs by internal and external complaints. The Board had a discussion on why officers are leaving the Department. Johnson inquired about providing confidential services that could be provided to officers for their mental health and wellbeing. Fowler said that the discussion about how the Board could help officers with mental health and stress could be a future agenda item. Harris Jr. asked for further explanation of regulation 3.601 E. Captain Easter informed the Board of recent promotions that the Department has made. Chappel asked if race and gender of officers needed to be displayed on the graphs. The Board discussed why it had been included and if it was necessary to include every month. Puritty asked for an update of the policies that the Board had requested to review.	23PSB-0608 (Puritty)
Reporting of Citizen Request for PSB Case Review and Report by Sub- Committee – Board Members	The sub-committee reviewed three cases and recommended that no further action be taken on those cases. A citizen requested that the Board review 23PSB-2601. The Board discussed how many cases the sub-committee could review.	23PSB-2601 (Citizen) 23PSB-0628 (Johnson) 22PSB-4979 (Puritty)
CRB – Strategic Plan – Board member P. Kitchen	The Board deferred this agenda item to the next meeting	
Executive Session – Captain T. Easter	Fowler moved that the Citizen's Review Board recess into Executive Session for 45 minutes to receive information regarding reports from the Wichita Police Department pursuant to KSA 75-4319b1 to discuss personnel matters of non-elected personnel. This Executive Session is required to protect the privacy of identifiable individuals. Executive Session will begin at 5:11 PM and return at	

Adjourn	Harris Jr. motioned to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Johnson. Motion passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 6:05 PM.
	The Board will elect officers at the June meeting. Chappel suggested that the Board have a special meeting in June or July for the Board to discuss a multitude of items such as Fowler's discussion paper and the Board's strategic plan Chappel also asked that the Board start to consider holding meetings outside of City Hall and outside of normal business hours. Chappel asked about receiving executive session items prior to the meeting.
New Business	Fowler identified a discussion paper regarding traffic stop data and a request for the Department to provide a response. Johnson asked about members of the Department attending a National Leadership training. Puritty let the Board know that she had attended 2 DAB meetings since the Board last met. Puritty asked if the Cities response to the Jensen Hughes report should be a future agenda item.
	approximately 6:00 P.M. The meeting will resume in the First Floor Conference Room. The Board unanimously voted to move into Executive Session. The Board returned from Executive Session at 6:01 PM. The Board made no recommendations in regard to 22PSB-5618 and 22PSB-2369.

The next meeting will be held on June 22nd, at 4:00 PM in the City Council First Floor Boardroom (455 N. Main St, Wichita, KS 67202).

Minutes respectfully submitted by Zachary Kester, Administrative Aide, Wichita Police Department.

Record of Recommendations / Motions

Month	Recommendation / Motion
January 2021	None made at the meeting.
February 2021	 Approve the resolution presented by Dr. Walt Chappell, Racial Profiling Advisory Board of Wichita. Motion by Sims; second by Harris. Motion passed. Issue a reminder to the PSB stressing the importance of following up on complaints with the complainant(s) in accordance with WPD Policy 901. Motion by Bender; Second by Lopez. Motion passed. Recommendations be put forth in a formal document which includes recommendations, date and time passed. Motion by Sims; Second by Ailslieger. Motion passed.
March 2021	None made at the meeting.
April 2021	 Motion to have WPD leadership come and present about how the WPD reaches out to learn from other Police Agencies, and what other Police Agencies asked to learn from the WPD. Request to have a discussion at a future meeting about the pros and cons of confidentiality provisions the police disciplinary procedures.
May 2021	Requested to start reviewing WPD policies. Mainly those policies that are about how WPD interacts with the community.
June 2021	 Requested that City Manager direct staff to provide for YouTube streaming of meetings. Also requested that the agenda for CRB meetings be posted no later than the Monday prior to a scheduled Thursday meeting.
July 2021	 Recommended that a statement be added before executive session asking that all those that cannot stay for executive session exit the room quickly. Recommended that there be a designated time for the board to ask questions and after the board has finished asking questions, then the public will be allowed to ask questions.
August 2021	Deferred making a recommendation made for breakdown of legal expenses pertaining to law enforcement personnel.

	Motion passed regarding accomplishments of Citizen's Review Board to be published with amended corrections.
	 Motion passed asking the Board to adopt recommendation to number 2 in proposed policy recommendations.
	Recommendation to review citation data from Dr. Birzer be placed on September agenda.
September 2021	Recommendation to post the paper on the Boards accomplishments to the website.
October 2021	Motion failed regarding asking the city to provide a breakdown of legal expenses pertaining to law enforcement personnel.
December 2021	None made at the meeting.
January 2022	There was no meeting.
February 2022	 Motion made to have a special meeting to further review 21PSB-5114 and connecting cases, with a representative from PSB and command staff. This meeting will be on March 10, 2022.
March 10, 2022	None made at this meeting.
March 24, 2022	 Motion made to have a special meeting to continue review of 21PSB-5114 and connecting cases, with a representative from PSB and command staff. This meeting will be on March 31, 2022.
March 31, 2022	Motion made to have a special meeting to discuss the issuance of a report on 21PSB-5114 and connecting cases. This meeting will be on April 5, 2022.
April 5, 2022	Motion to accept, approve and release the Board's report on their review of 21PSB-5114 and connecting cases.
April 28, 2022	Motion to accept the submission of a protocol that states: The CRB requests that the WPD report to the CRB monthly a listing of new PSB cases involving allegations of Conduct Unbecoming, Excessive Force or allegations involving Departmental Integrity. Departmental Integrity allegations relate to claims of false

	statements by officers or supervisors involving their official duties. The purpose of this request is to allow those cases to be tracked and pulled for review on completion of the PSB investigation. The disclosure should be sufficient to allow for an understanding of the allegation made. Any CRB review of the cases identified will occur only after the cases have been closed.
May 26, 2022	Motion to invite a member of the District Attorney's office to come and speak with the Board about Brady/Giglio.
June 23, 2022	None made at this meeting.
July 28, 2022	None made at this meeting.
August 25, 2022	None made at this meeting.
September 22, 2022	None made at this meeting.
October 27, 2022	Motion to review all previous PSB cases on Officer A, as identified in 22PSB-2369.
November 30, 2022	None made at this meeting.
January 26, 2023	None made at this meeting.
February 22, 2023	 Motion to adopt a policy on sub-committee case screening. Passed eight (8) to one (1). Motion to increase transparency and accountability in the Wichita Citizens Review Board Complaint Review Process. There was a motion to table this motion to receive legal review and advice. The tabling motion was passed eight (8) to one (1).

March 23, 2023	Motion to hold a special meeting to discuss CRB procedures and the CRB section of the Jensen Hughes report.
April 12, 2023	None made at this meeting.
April 27, 2023	None made at this meeting.
May 25, 2023	None made at this meeting.